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Application for Certificate of Service

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Authority under 83 Ill. Adm. Code 460

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**APPLICATION**

Datapult, L.P. ("Datapult" or "Applicant"), hereby requests that the Illinois Commerce Commission ("Commission") grant it a certificate of service authority to provide metering services, pursuant to 83 Ill. Adm. Code 460. In support of this application, Datapult states the following:

**Section 460.30      Requirements for Datapult**

- a)      Datapult certifies compliance with all applicable Federal, State, regional and industry rules, policies, practices, procedures and tariffs for the use, operation, maintenance, safety, integrity, and reliability of the electric system. Datapult further certifies compliance with all other applicable laws and regulations and Commission rules and orders.
- b)      Datapult certifies that the only retail customers to whom it will directly provide metering services are those who are taking delivery services.
- c)      Datapult certifies that it will comply with informational and reporting requirements that the Commission may by rule establish.
- d)
  - 1. Name and Mailing Address:  
Datapult, L.P.  
1 Riverside Plaza  
Columbus, OH. 43215  
PHONE: (614) 223-2755  
FAX: (614) 223-1422
  - 2. Datapult's Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN): **31-1742496**
- e)
  - 1. Datapult is licensed to do business in the State of Illinois. A copy of the approved Application for Admission is attached hereto as Attachment A.
  - 2. Datapult agrees, as set forth in Subpart E of the Commission's rules, to perform said functions in a safe and responsible manner in order to provide safe and reliable service.

As provided in Part 460, Subpart E, Datapult provides the following information:

- a. In Attachment I, a description of Datapult and Applied Metering Technologies' training program for Classes 1, 2, and 3 as required by 460.510(e)(1), 460.510(e)(2), 460.520(e)(1), 460.520(e)(2), 460.530(e)(1) and 460.530(e)(2), respectively;
- b. Attachment G provides occupational background information on each employee, demonstrating that the employee meets the qualifications delineated in Subpart E. These employees include:

Mario A. Natividad	Class 1 & 2
Williams R. Gierke	Class 1, 2 & 3
Johnell Holly	Class 1 & 2
Richard Long	Class 1, 2 & 3
John Westburg	Class 1, 2 & 3
- c. Attachment J outlines the hiring criteria to be used for future employees of each Class.

**Section 460.40      Required Filing and Procedures**

- a) Datapult will publish notice of its application for certification in the Official State Newspaper within 10 days following the filing of the application for certification and will provide proof of publication to the Commission.
- b) Pursuant to the requirements of Section 200.130 of the Commission's Rules of Practice, a letter of verification has been submitted and attached hereto as Attachment B.
- c) Datapult requests authority to provide its metering services in the State of Illinois wherever business opportunities exist, including the service territories

of all utilities and any areas that will be opened to retail electric competition in the future.

1. Datapult, an American Electric Power company, is a leading provider of Energy Information and Meter Data Services across the country. Datapult has actively participated as a Meter Data Management Agent (MDMA) in the California direct access market since its inception in 1998 and has been a licensed Meter Reading Service Provider (MRSP) in the State of Arizona since 1999. In addition, Datapult reads meters or other energy recording devices, in both regulated and deregulated markets, in over 40 states within the United States, as well as in Canada and Puerto Rico, for utilities, businesses and governmental agencies.
2. Datapult will provide metering services to eligible Retail Electric Customers and Alternative Retail Electric Suppliers in Illinois. The types of retail customer groups that Datapult seeks permission to serve, as they become eligible to participate and to receive MSP services, are Illinois commercial, industrial, governmental, agricultural and residential electric customers.
3. A letter of intent to serve in various Illinois electric utility service areas has been provided to designated utility agents. Copies of these letters are attached hereto as Attachment C.

- d) Datapult certifies that it will comply with all terms and conditions required by Sections 8-201 through 8-207, 8-301, 8-302, 8-303, 8-305, 8-505, 8-507, 16-119, 16-122, 16-123, and 16-128(a) of the Act [220 ILCS 5/8-201, 8-202, 8-203, 8-204, 8-205, 8-206, 8-207, 8-301, 8-302, 8-303, 8-305, 8-505, 8-507, 16-119, 16-122, 16-123, and 16-128(a)], to the extent that those Sections have application to the services being offered by the MSP.
- e) Datapult will be consistent with Subpart B of the Commission Rules of Practices (83. Ill Adm. Code 200: Subpart B).

**Section 460.50      Customer Records and Information**

- a) Datapult agrees to adopt and follow rules and procedures ensuring that authorizations received from customers, customer billing records, and requests for metering service transmitted to utilities are retained for a period of not less than two calendar years after the year in which they were created. In addition to other lawful means of discovery, these records shall be made available by request to the Commission or its Staff on a confidential and proprietary basis, as necessary to carry out the Commission's obligations under the Act.
- b) Datapult will preserve the confidentiality of its customers' data and agrees to adopt and follow rules and procedures to preserve the confidentiality of its customers' data.
- c) In the event that Datapult renders a bill to a retail customer for providing meter services, the bill will indicate the period of time for which the bill is

rendered, a description of the service rendered, the due date of the bill and a toll-free telephone number to contact for further information.

**Section 460.60      License or Permit Bond Requirements**

- a) Datapult has executed and will maintain a license or permit bond issued by a surety or insurance company authorized to transact business in the State of Illinois in favor of the People of the State of Illinois. The amount of the bond shall equal \$150,000. The bond will be conditioned upon the full and faithful performance of all duties and obligations of the Datapult as an MSP and will be valid for a period of not less than one year. A copy of the Bond is attached hereto as Attachment D.
- b) In the event that a license or permit bond is cancelled, expires or is drawn upon, Datapult shall execute and maintain an additional or replacement bond such that the cumulative value of all outstanding bonds never falls below the amount required in subsection (a) of this Section. Further, Datapult agrees to file a copy of the additional or replacement bond with the Chief Clerk of the Commission and provide a copy of that bond to the Manager of the Financial Analysis Division or its successor at least 15 days in advance of the effective date of the application.
- c) In the event that a license or permit bond is modified, Datapult will file a copy of the modified bond with the Chief Clerk of the Commission and provide a copy of that bond to the Manager of the Financial Analysis Division or its successor at least 15 days in advance of the effective date of the modification.

This filing shall include a cover letter that explains the purpose of the filing and shall be identified with Datapult's name as it appears in the most recent Commission order granting the Datapult's certification.

### **Subpart B: Requirements for Certification**

#### **Section 460.100 Financial Qualifications**

a) Creditworthiness

1. A copy of the Dun & Bradstreet Business Information Report showing AEP's (Datapult's corporate parent) Composite Credit Appraisal number is attached hereto as Attachment E.

b) Insurance

1. A copy of Datapult's certificate of insurance is attached hereto as Attachment F from an insurance company having a rating of A or better.

#### **Section 460.110 Technical Qualifications**

- a) Datapult maintains a trained staff of data analysts and installation support personnel during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in each local time zone. A 24-hour help line is also available which will notify appropriate on-call personnel of customer problems. A list of qualified support persons or agents who meet the requirements stated in this section is attached hereto as Attachment G.

- b) Datapult guarantees that any person performing actual meter work in the field will have the appropriate qualifications for the class of metering installation being worked on as set forth in Subpart E.

**Section 460.120      Managerial Qualifications**

- a) Datapult will meet the managerial requirements specified in section 460.120.  
A list of qualified managerial personnel is attached hereto as Attachment G.
- b) A corporate organizational chart is attached hereto as Attachment H.

**Section 460.130      Qualifications of Agents and Contractors**

- a) Datapult will use an Illinois certified MSP to perform contracted duties in support of Section 460.110 (or Section 460.120, as appropriate).

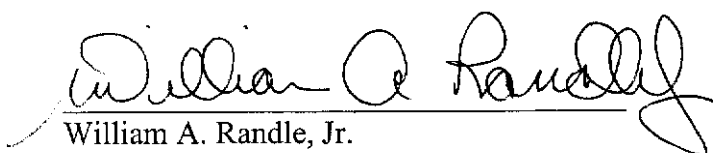
Contractor:    Applied Metering Technologies, Inc.  
                  12407 Slauson Avenue, Suite A/B  
                  Whittier, CA. 90606  
                  PHONE :     562-464-9555  
                  FAX :        562-464-9545

- b) Datapult certifies that the contractor listed in (a) above will comply with all Sections of Part 460 applicable to the function or functions to be performed by the contractor.
- c) Datapult certifies that it retains responsibility for the compliance of the contractor listed above in (a) with all Sections of Part 460 applicable to the function or functions to be performed by the contractor.



Under penalty of perjury, the undersigned states that, to the best of his knowledge, the above statements are true and correct. In addition, the undersigned states that Datapult, if licensed, will abide by all applicable regulations of the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,  
DATAPULT, L.P.



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Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2001